

North Ridgeville City Schools PTA Council

General Meeting September 12, 2016

In Attendance:

**PTA President- Bonnie Taucher**

- Meeting called to order at 6:31pm. Minutes from March 2016 meeting disbursed.

**Superintendent Report- Bill Green reporting in Dr. Powell's absence.**

- Transportation improvements being worked on. Versatran My Stop app, problem with app developer at this point.
- District is very busy with the construction of the new school and getting other schools ready to move to other buildings. NREC in planning to add 8 classrooms, current preschool building will close. Board offices to move to new 3-8 building.
- First football home game was a great success. Bleachers to have lighting added underneath. Delay of Game clocks in place.
- Bussing for the new 3-8 building being discussed. Versatran consulting brought in to evaluate transportation and efficiency.

**School Board Representative Report- JoAnna Timura**

- Public tours possibly to begin in October at new 3-8 building.
- Levy in November for technology. Not a tax increase. The technology has to happen and the levy is the easiest way to achieve that.
- Preferred seating available at new stadium.

**Treasurer Report- Sara Miller**

- Budget reviewed, corrections made. Motion to approve by Michelle Watts. All in favor, approved. \*\* following conclusion of meeting, budget corrections emailed to council\*\*

**NREC / ECLC Report – Molly Darnell PTA President, Andrea Vance Principal**

- Molly - Recognized as school of excellence by Ohio PTA.
- Andrea- Thanks to PTA for welcome breakfast!
- Screenings at ECLC done differently this year and allowed all students to start at the same time instead of staggering typical and sped.
- Assessments and STAR testing

**Lear North Report- Sarah Kader PTA President, Mitch Heffron Principal**

- PTA beginning dollar days, pizza fundraisers, Fall fundraiser.
- Buildings were very hot in the first few weeks of school. PTA provided popsicles for all of the students donated by North Ridgeville Giant Eagle.

- Bill Green reports window air conditioning units are being purchased for building
- Mitch- Thanks to the PTA for muffins / donuts with mom and dad.
- First grade STAR testing being done. Great opportunity to make sure kids are not slipping through cracks if additional help is needed and to provide extra for kids who need to be challenged academically.
- Programs being initiated to help with typing skills

### **Liberty Report- Michelle Watt PTA President, Greg Plantner Principal**

- Michelle- Liberty open house successful. 100 members signed up
- Spirit Wear fundraiser begun. Design your own shirts online, link on Liberty FB page
- Greg- Thanks to PTA for Breakfast and Friday popcorn.
- STAR testing
- A/C and new alarm system in building
- New pavilion completed with donations from PTA and Mr. Green to have sign thanking the 15-16 PTA.
- N.R Parks and Rec to donate 8 picnic tables that will be refurbed and playground being expanded
- Field trips being planned to enhance experience learning.
- State report card was not favorable. Test scores are not necessarily a reflection on the student ability to perform well on tests rather the student ability to take tests online and electronic devices.

### **Wilcox Report – Marie Browning PTA President, Lee Armbruster Principal**

- Marie- PTA Fall fundraiser finishing up. Tri-C
- Lee- Thank you to the PTA for the welcome back treats and vision and hearing screening help.
- Home Depot of Avon spruced up landscaping
- New Learn Lab
- Enhancing gifted services
- STAR testing
- State of Ohio mandating all testing be done online rather than paper. Push to improve typing skills at all school levels.

### **New Business**

- What to spend funds on / what to raise money for this year. Some ideas technology, enrichment programs, amphitheater.
- PTA v Boosters- Committees formed to discuss the pros and cons of both options.
- Combining Holiday parties to one big PTA party rather than separate parties. Pros and cons discussed.
- Important Council Dates
  1. **November 7, 2016- PTA Council Meeting**

- 2. January 9, 2017- PTA Council Meeting**
- 3. February 24, 2017- Dodgeball**
- 4. March 31, and April 1, 2017 – Art Reflections**
- 5. May 20, 2017 Summer Kick- off Party**